Checklist for Child Care Administrators: Steps to Take When You Have a Suspected¹ or Confirmed² COVID-19 Case in Your Facility

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Illness Response							
If child or staff develop symptoms while at child care	T						
Follow all "Keep Me Home If" exclusion guidelines.							
A child or staff with a cough, shortness of breath, temperature of 100.4°F/38°C							
or higher, chills, congestion or runny nose, headache, muscle pain or body aches,							
sore throat, fatigue, nausea or vomiting, diarrhea, new loss of taste or smell, or							
other signs of <i>new</i> illness unrelated to a documented preexisting condition (such							
as seasonal allergies) should remain at home. For the most up to date COVID-19							
symptom list see the <u>Centers for Disease Control and Prevention</u> .							
Complete Illness Log for individuals with symptoms.							
For sick child							
Designate a staff person to care for and supervise the sick child from a safe							
distance while awaiting the parent/caregiver's arrival.							
Designated staff person separates the sick child from other children and staff. If							
possible, isolate the child in an unoccupied room while waiting for the							
parent/caregiver to pick the child up.							
If possible, move all other children into an unoccupied room and out of the							
classroom where the sick child spent time. Close off all areas used by the							
sick child to prevent re-entry.							
While caring for the sick child, the designated staff person should wear a mask							
that provides more protection than a cloth face covering (see: Labor and							
Industry Guidance for examples). If the sick child is older than 2 years, they							
should wear a face covering/mask. Designated staff person should help the child							
put the face covering/ mask on properly.							
Notify the child's parent/caregiver. Kindly request they pick up their child as							
soon as possible.							
When the parent/caregiver arrives, the designated staff person should escort							
the child to the facility entrance.							
Advise family to call child's healthcare provider to get child tested for							
COVID-19 or go to a <u>free testing site</u> .							
For sick staff							
Separate the sick staff person from children and other staff. Send sick							
staff person home.							
Ask the staff person to wear a face covering/mask while they are still in the							
facility awaiting pick up, or if they will be using public transportation to return							
home.		_					
If possible, isolate the staff person in an unoccupied room if they are waiting to be picked up.							
Advise sick staff person to call their healthcare provider to get tested for							
COVID-19 or go to a free testing site.							
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¹ "suspected case" = a person who shows symptoms of COVID-19 but has not yet been tested or is waiting for test results.

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² "confirmed case" = a person (with or without symptoms) who tested positive for COVID-19.

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Cleaning and disinfecting after sick person leaves						
Designated staff person who cared for a sick child should:						
1. Wash hands.						
2. Change clothes (if soiled with bodily fluids); bag and seal clothes						
to be washed.						
3. Remove mask worn while taking care of sick child and dispose of it						
in a plastic-lined garbage can.						
4. Wash hands.						
5. Put on clean face covering.						
Any cloth items used by the sick child such as a blanket, napping sheet,						
and toys should be placed in a sealed bag and laundered.						
Any rooms the sick person spent time in should be cleaned and						
disinfected. Wait 24 hours or as long as possible after the sick person was						
in a room before beginning to clean and disinfect. If a bathroom was used						
by the sick person, clean and disinfect immediately. Follow Cleaning and						
<u>Disinfecting During COVID-19 document</u> for recommended bleach						
disinfectant concentration and procedures.						
For rooms: Open windows and doors to the outside to increase air						
circulation and improve ventilation in the areas the sick person spent time.						
For bathrooms: Increase ventilation by keeping a window open and/or						
turning on a fan that vents to the outside.						
For more information: Guidance for child care administrators: What to do w	hen yo	u have a confi	rmed C	OVID-		
19 case in your facility						
Communication After Confirmed COVID-19 Case in Your Facility						
Notify facility administration of confirmed COVID-19 case(s).						
Meet with key staff, including teachers, janitors, and leadership to						
coordinate action.						
Notify families of children who are close contacts of a confirmed COVID-						
19 case by providing them with a copy of the COVID-19 Exposure						
Notification Letter.						
Show the Exposure Notification Poster for Staff to any staff person(s) who						
may be a close contact of the confirmed COVID-19 case for next steps.						
You may also choose to provide a copy of the COVID-19 Fact Sheet for						
<u>Families</u> for informational purposes to staff and other families of children who were not close contacts.						
Remember: do not tell families anything that can identify the individual						
who is sick.						

 Please report to Public Health if: one or more individuals who have spent time in your facility test positive for COVID-19; To notify Public Health, please: Call the COVID-19 Call Center at 206-477-3977 between 8 a.m. and 7 p.m. and press 5. Identify yourself as a child care provider. Interpreters are available. OR complete a COVID-19 Intake Survey using this online form. Public Health will respond with an email or phone call. 		
Notify your licensor of a positive case.		
If you are considering closing for a period of time:		
Please call the Public Health COVID-19 Call Center between 8:00 a.m. and 7:00 p.m. PST at 206-477-3977 and press 5. Identify yourself as a child care provider. Interpreters are available.		

Public Health—Seattle & King County's guidance reflects our commitment to protecting the health and safety of our residents in local circumstances. You may find that there are differences in the guidance issued by local, state, and national agencies.